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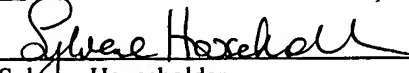
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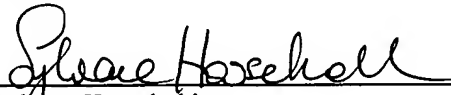
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

**PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97**

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case.

No fee or certification is required.

PART II: Explanation of Non-English Language References

Please see the attached English Abstract for a concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference (EP 0 8602 954) listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified).

PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
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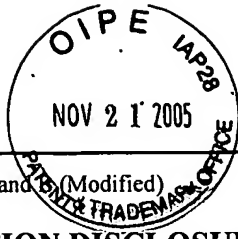
An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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